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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Examiner's communication mailed November 5, 2003, having a deadline for response expiring December 5, 2003, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute in this application the following invention:

I. Claims 1-5, 11 and 12, drawn to a substantially dry mixture comprising a plant solid, which may be Aloe vera solid comprising more or less than 50% water soluble complex carbohydrate, and a water-soluble pharmaceutical auxiliary, wherein said mixture may be in powder drink mix form, tablet or capsule form, classified at least in class 514, subclass 772.3, and class 424, subclasses 489 and 451.

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